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**RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT**

Responsive to the final Office Action mailed December 4, 2001 (hereinafter "Office Action") and the Advisory Action mailed May 7, 2002 (hereinafter "Advisory Action"), Applicants respectfully request entry of the amendments and consideration of the remarks set forth herein. A Notice of Appeal, filed by the Applicants, was received by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on May 13, 2002. Accordingly, with the submission of a petition for a one-month extension of time and the appropriate fee, the deadline for replying has been extended up to and including August 13, 2002. This Response is timely filed.

The following documents are also enclosed herewith:

- Transmittal sheet with petition for extension of time; and
- Facsimile coversheet.

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